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# **EXHIBIT 1**

Harman Ponder
Entering 2024 - 2025
Grade CH Mid Cycle - Early Childhood



## **Austin Montessori School**

## AMS Year-Round All School Enrollment Agreement 24-

Introduction	
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Entering Year: 2024 - 2025 Date of birth:	
This contract ("Contract") is between Austin Montessori School ("School") and the parent or I ("Parent," singular or plural, as applicable) of the above-mentioned student ("Student"). Pare and sign this Enrollment Contract and Tuition Schedule by clicking "submit" to the School for submitted, a copy is available for your records in the Files & Forms section of your profile.  Parent Partnership Agreement	nt must complete
By signing this contract, Parent agrees to the policies and guidelines outlined in the <u>AMS Pare</u> Handbook and Partnership Agreement.	nt Community
This is a legally binding contract. Read it caref	ully.
Tuition and Fees	
Annual tuition is listed under the "Expenses" section below. Parent agrees to pay the tuition is according to the terms of this Contract. Parent acknowledges that the tuition changes as the participation in the School program change (i.e., advance in level). If any change occurs after starts, Parent agrees to pay the School the Increased amounts as specified in the published to schedule:  AMS Tuition and Fee Schedule 2024 - 2025.  New Family Fee	Student's r the school year
A family new to Austin Montessori School will be charged a one-time fee of \$500. This fee will Smart Tuition account and is in addition to the tuition and fees listed on the Enrollment Contra	
Expenses	-
Children's House - Year Round	\$20,265.00
Total Expenses:	\$20,265.00
Total Due:	\$20,265.00
Due at Enrollment	
Deposit	\$300.00
Total Due at Enrollment:	¢300.00

Please review the descriptions below for the available payment plans, and then choose your desired option in the section below.

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- •• One Payment Option: payment of tuition for the Student's program to be paid in one payment on or before June 3, 2024.
- •<u>Monthly Payment Plan Option for Regular Year Programs:</u> payment of tuition for the Student's program to be paid in 12 equal payments, with the first payment due on August 3, 2024, and on the 3rd day of each month thereafter through July 3, 2025. The monthly payment plan option will incur a fee of \$27.08/month (\$325 total/year)



#### Terms of Enrollment

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Parent understands that all persons responsible for paying any of the amounts due under this Contract must execute the Contract and that all such persons are jointly and severally liable for the amounts due as set forth herein. Parent's signature and/or initials on this Contract evidence Parent's understanding and agreement to the terms of this Contract, as follows:

- 1.-Enrollment: Student will be enrolled for the 2024-2025 academic year. Parent is aware that a final determination of grade and classroom placement will be made by the School in accordance with the School's admissions policies and these decisions are made at the School's discretion. This Contract is valid only for the academic year stated and does not entitle Student to any future enrollment.
- 2.•Tuition Obligation: Parent understands that Student is being enrolled for the academic year covered by this Contract (or remaining portion thereof, in the case of a mid-year enrollment or mid-year move to another level). Parent acknowledges that the tuition and fees change as the Student's participation in the School program change (i.e., advance in level). If any change occurs after the school year starts, Parent agrees to pay the School the increased amounts as specified in the School's published tuition and fee schedule. Parent is responsible for the full tuition amount through the end of the academic year even if Student is withdrawn from or ceases to attend the School. Parent further understands that the overhead expenses of the School do not diminish with the departure of a student during the course of the school year and agrees that it is impossible for the School to determine at the time of the execution of this Contract the damage and loss to the School that would occur due to the later cancellation/withdrawal of students who have enrolled. Therefore, once this Contract has been submitted to the School, Parent becomes liable for the tuition, according to the following schedule:
  - Through May 1, 2024 responsible for 25% of annual tuition payment
  - -After May 1, 2024 responsible for 100% of annual tuition payment
- 3.•Termination Procedures: Parent may terminate this Contract by submitting a WRITTEN termination notice ("Termination Notice") to the Head of School by May 1, 2024 ("Partial Release Date"). The Termination Notice must (a) be dated, (b) state the Student's name, (c) provide a reason for the termination of the Contract; and (d) be RECEIVED by the Head of School on or before the Partial Release. If such Termination Notice is received before the Partial Release Date, Parent will be partially relieved of tuition obligation as provided in Paragraph 2, above.
- 4.•School/Family Partnership: A positive and constructive working relationship between the School and Parent is essential to the fulfillment of the School's educational purpose. Thus, the School reserves the right not to extend the privilege of enrollment or re-enrollment to Student if the School reasonably concludes that the actions of Parent make such a positive and constructive relationship impossible or otherwise seriously interfere

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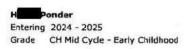
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with the School's accomplishment of its educational purpose. Moreover, the School reserves the right to dismiss Student at any time if, in the judgment of the Head of the School, conduct of anyone directly associated with Student, including but not limited to Student's Parent, in or out of the School, is not in keeping with the School's accepted standards or principles. There will be no refund of tuition in the case of such dismissal and any unpaid balance is payable in full according to the terms of this Contract. If for any reason, the School administration determines that it is in the best interest of the School, The School also reserves the right to withdraw an offer of enrollment or re-enrollment at any time, and/or to nullify an executed Enrollment Contract, if the School administration determines, in its sole discretion, that doing so is in the best interest of the School.

- 5.•Tuition Assistance: Parent understands that if the Student has applied for or received a tuition assistance award toward the amount of tuition hereunder; the Parent remains primarily responsible for all obligations under this Contract. Upon Parent's acceptance of this contract and the tuition assistance award, Parent agrees to pay the balance due pursuant to the payment plan established by the School.
- 6.•Probationary Enrollment for New Students: All new enrollments are probationary for an eight-week period. If the school is concerned that this enrollment is not in the best interest of the child or the classroom, a conference will be held before the end of the eight-week period with the Head of School, Level Director, Director of Enrollment Management, and parents. Possible outcomes include an agreement to terms of continued, conditional enrollment, or withdrawal of enrollment. The decision to continue or withdraw enrollment is at the sole discretion of the school and is final. The school reserves the right to refund any portion of the tuition based upon the student's withdrawal from the school. Any refund shall be at the sole discretion of the school. In accordance with Austin Montessori School's admissions policy, enrollment beyond the eight-week period lies solely at the discretion of Austin Montessori School.
- 7.•Termination of Student's Attendance: The School has the right to suspend or terminate any Student if (i) in the sole discretion of the School administration, it is determined that the continued attendance of the Student is detrimental to the School community, the Student or to the other students of the School, or (ii) the Parent has failed to pay all or any part of the tuition or fees required under this Contract.
- 8.•School Rules: Student's enrollment at the School is subject to the general statements, rules regulations, conditions, traditions, and financial terms contained in the School's Community Handbook and other published documents, which may be amended from time to time. Parent acknowledges that Parent and Student must abide by such School rules and guidelines.
- 9.•Transcripts/Records: All accounts must be paid in full before records and transcripts can be released or transferred to other schools. Student will not be allowed to continue to attend classes or other programs or activities unless tuition and fees are paid by stated deadlines (or until Parent makes other written arrangements acceptable to the School). The School shall have the right to take such legal action as it may deem appropriate to collect all amounts which are not paid when due. In the event that the School takes legal action to enforce the terms of the Contract, Parent shall be responsible for all costs, including reasonable attorney's fees and costs (whether incurred before, during or after the filing of the lawsuit).
- 10.-Delinquent Payments: Parent understands and agrees that a late charge of \$35 will be added for any payment not received within 10 days after the due date ("Late Payment"). Parent understands that at no time does the School intend to contract for, charge, or receive interest in excess of the maximum amount permitted by law and, if it is determined that the School has done so, the School shall credit the excess to any remaining tuition or fees due under the Contract or refund the excess to Parent. In the event that a Parent is more than 90 days in arrears with any tuition or fees due under the Contract, the School reserves the right to accelerate the remaining tuition and fees due under this Contract.
- 11.•Release of Student Records: Parent consents and holds the School harmless for the release of Student's records and information upon request by an education institution or law enforcement agency. Parent also releases and holds the School harmless from any liability stemming from such use, disclosure, or release of Student's records or information.
- 12.•Governing Law/Disputes/Waiver of Jury Trial: This Contract shall be governed under the laws of the State of Texas. In the event of a dispute regarding the terms of this Agreement or Student's enrollment at the School, the parties agree to first try to resolve such dispute informally through non-binding mediation. The costs of mediation shall be equally borne between the parties. In the event of litigation, the venue of any action hereunder shall lie exclusively within the Circuit Court of Travis County, Texas, and the parties hereto consent to personal jurisdiction and expressly waive all right to trial by jury.





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13.•Understanding of Terms: Please read this Contract carefully. By signing below, Parent acknowledges that Parent understands the terms of this Contract, Parent's obligation to pay the full year's tuition even if the Student is withdrawn or dismissed, the Parent's option to terminate, and all other obligations set forth herein. If Parent has questions about the terms, Parent is encouraged to seek the advice of counsel or to seek clarification from the Director of Admission.

14.•Force Majeure: The School's duties and obligation under this Contract shall be suspended immediately without notice during all periods that the School is closed because of force majeure events including, but not limited to, any fire, act of God, hurricane, war, governmental action, an act of terrorism, epidemic, pandemic, strike, civil unrest, or any other event beyond the School's control. If such an event occurs, the School's duties and obligations in this Contract will be postponed until such time as the School, in the sole discretion of the School administration, may safely reopen. In the event that the School cannot reopen due to an event under this clause, the School is under no obligation to refund any portion of the tuition paid.

Austin Montessori School does not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, ancestry, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, age, or disability in the administration of its hiring, admissions policies, tuition assistance program, or other school-administered programs.

To ensure a place for the Student, this Contract must be executed and submitted to the School, along with the \$300 registration fee.

Ross Ponder		
	Signature	Date
Sarah Ponder	Sarah Ponder	1/17/2024
	Signature	Date

Accepted by Austin Montessori School, Inc. a Texas non-profit corporation

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## Grae Baker

Name: Grae Baker Title: Head of School

School Signature

Grae Baker

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